

FISH & WILDLIFE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: June 12, 2014

Agenda Item: 2014 Mountain Lion Quotas

Division: Wildlife

Action Needed: Final

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 30 minutes

Background

Hunting districts listed below have proposed changes from 2013 mountain quotas and subquotas. Underlined districts represent an adjustment from the original adoption. An additional document is available with this cover sheet listing the specific proposed changes. All other quotas/subquotas not listed are proposed to be unchanged from 2013 levels. Quotas apply to “any legal lion” unless otherwise noted and as influenced by female subquotas.

Hunting Districts with Proposed Adjustments to 2014 Mountain Lion Quotas

HDs 121, 122, 200/201, 202/203, 204/260/261/262, 210, 212/215, 240, 250, 270, 280/281/284/293/portion of 298, 283/285, 290/291/292/portion of 298, 320/333, 322/326/330, 323/324/325/327, 319/341, 321/332/334, 390/391, 318/335, 339/343/388, 300/302/328/329, 331, 422/423/424/425/442, 410/417/419/426, 530/590, and Region 7

Public Involvement Process & Results

Formal public comment ran through 5 p.m. Monday, May 29. Comments have been forwarded to the commission. A mountain lion work group was assembled to develop lion quota proposals in Region 2. That work group product was made available for public comment and is reflected in the districts underlined above. Any final adoption will take place at the June 12 F&W Commission meeting.

Alternatives and Analysis

Proposals may be adopted as proposed, with adjustment, or no change from 2013 as per staff justifications, public comment and/or commission discussion.

Agency Recommendation & Rationale

FWP recommends approval of proposed quota adjustments with no changes in other hunting districts. Rationale includes mountain lion population management accommodating human tolerance, safety, prey populations and hunter opportunity.

Proposed Motion

I move to approve the proposed 2014 lion quotas/subquotas as presented by FWP.